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Today's Topics:

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(by FTP only) from UCSD.Edu in directory "mailarchives/info-hams".

We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: 23 Nov 1993 20:33:59 -0500
From: panix!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net
Subject: 210XL Bearcat Scanner to read 1012Mhz?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <1993Nov23.123957.25833@hemlock.cray.com>,
Jim Knoll <n3022@cray.com> wrote:
>I am posting on behalf of my father, a retired
>news photographer who was out there in the action
>almost every day. Since retirement, most of the
>"action" he has experienced has been through
>shortwave (and scanner) monitoring. He has listened to
>the local police dept for years on 154Mhz. Now the
>city hall has purchased 900Mhz equipment and have left

>him in the dark.

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>Rather than buying a new scanner, my father is wondering
>if there is a converter that will double the upper-end
>frequency capability of his 210XL Bearcat Scanner from
>512Mhz to 1012Mhz. Has anyone run across one?

Suggest that you post in alt.radio.scanner and rec.radio.scanner

GRE America makes two such boxes; one for handheld and one for
desktop scanners. They don't double the coverage range but downconvert
810-950 to 410-550. You can call them at 415-591-1400 or
800-233-5973.

Frankly, I'd just buy a new scanner having 800 MHz capability. There
are newer devices having much better performance than the old BC
scanners. Again, look on the two scanner newsgroups and you'll get an
avalanche of recommendations.

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Date: Tue, 23 Nov 1993 15:56:16 GMT
From: convex!convex!horak@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Alinco DJ560 sensitivity specs over frequency
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I don't have regular access to special equipment but one day when I had
a few spare moments, I spec'd out my Alinco DJ560-T dual band transceiver's
sensitivity over various frequencies. I used a Marconi 2022D signal
Generator which outputs from 10KHz to 1GHz and a few feet of an
extremely low loss Andrew cable. All readings were taken when a solid
"FULL" reading was achieved on the LCD bargraph.

Frequency db

130MHz	5.2uv
134	4.0
138	2.8
140	2.4
141	2.2
142	2.0
143	1.9
144	1.8

145	1.6
146	1.5
147	1.5
148	1.4
150	1.4
154	1.5
158	1.8
162	2.1
166	2.4
170	2.7
173.99	3.0

417.35 23uv

420	19
425	13
430	9
435	6.5
440	4.2
441	3.9
442	3.6
443	3.3
444	3.0
445	2.7
446	2.5
447	2.2
448	2.0
449	1.8
450	1.6
452	1.3
454	1.1
456	1.1
458	1.3
460	1.7
462	2.1
464	2.5
466	3.0
468	3.5
470	4.0
472	4.6
474	5.2
476	5.7
478	6.2
480	6.8
482	7.3
484	7.9
486	8.5
488	9.0
490	9.7

492 10.3
495 11.6
495.175 11.8

As you can see for the UHF range, not all frequencies between 400 and 520 MHz were measured. The PLL would not lock on anything outside the range I measured. Hope this is of some use,

David

Date: Tue, 23 Nov 1993 20:59:42 MST
From: library.ucla.edu!news.mic.ucla.edu!unixg.ubc.ca!nntp.cs.ubc.ca!alberta!
adec23!ve6mgs!usenet@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Daily Summary of Solar Geophysical Activity for 23 November
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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DAILY SUMMARY OF SOLAR GEOPHYSICAL ACTIVITY

23 NOVEMBER, 1993

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(Based In-Part On SESC Observational Data)

SOLAR AND GEOPHYSICAL ACTIVITY INDICES FOR 23 NOVEMBER, 1993

!!BEGIN!! (1.0) S.T.D. Solar Geophysical Data Broadcast for DAY 327, 11/23/93
10.7 FLUX=100.4 90-AVG=094 SSN=069 BKI=2210 1221 BAI=004
BGND-XRAY=B1.5 FLU1=7.9E+05 FLU10=1.4E+04 PKI=2211 2221 PAI=006
BOU-DEV=010,012,006,004,009,013,016,006 DEV-AVG=009 NT SWF=00:000
XRAY-MAX= B5.2 @ 1140UT XRAY-MIN= B1.4 @ 1553UT XRAY-AVG= B1.9
NEUTN-MAX= +002% @ 1805UT NEUTN-MIN= -002% @ 2255UT NEUTN-AVG= -0.1%
PCA-MAX= +0.1DB @ 1415UT PCA-MIN= -0.3DB @ 2155UT PCA-AVG= -0.0DB
BOUTF-MAX=55358NT @ 2322UT BOUTF-MIN=55334NT @ 1841UT BOUTF-AVG=55352NT
GOES7-MAX=P:+000NT@ 0000UT GOES7-MIN=N:+000NT@ 0000UT G7-AVG=+075,+000,+000
GOES6-MAX=P:+133NT@ 1750UT GOES6-MIN=N:-060NT@ 1025UT G6-AVG=+096,+017,-031
FLUXFCST=STD:100,097,091;SESC:100,097,091 BAI/PAI-FCST=015,010,005/015,010,007
KFCST=3334 4222 3322 3222 27DAY-AP=041,016 27DAY-KP=4466 6433 3344 3234
WARNINGS=*SWF
ALERTS=**245STRM:1900-2050UTC
!!END-DATA!!

NOTE: The Effective Sunspot Number for 22 NOV 93 was 38.0.

The Full Kp Indices for 22 NOV 93 are: 1+ 2- 1o 1- 1+ 2- 2- 2+

SYNOPSIS OF ACTIVITY

Solar activity was very low. Minor B-class flares were observed from the three spotted regions on the disk. Region 7620 (N05E03) continued slow growth. Region 7618 (N06W71) continued its slow decline. A small filament located near N11E55 faded between 23/1557-1702Z.

Solar activity forecast: solar activity is forecast to be low. Infrequent C-class flares are expected from Regions 7618, 7620, and 7622 (N14E48).

The geomagnetic field remained quiet. The forecast coronal hole disturbance did not appear on schedule.

Geophysical activity forecast: the geomagnetic field should become unsettled to slightly active on 24 Nov in response to the end of the coronal hole stream. The field should then become quiet to slightly unsettled for the remainder of the period.

Event probabilities 24 nov-26 nov

Class M	20/20/15
Class X	05/05/01
Proton	05/05/01
PCAF	Green

Geomagnetic activity probabilities 24 nov-26 nov

A. Middle Latitudes

Active	25/20/15
Minor Storm	15/10/05
Major-Severe Storm	05/01/01

B. High Latitudes

Active	35/25/20
Minor Storm	15/10/05
Major-Severe Storm	05/01/01

HF propagation conditions continued normal over all regions. The anticipated coronal-hole-related disturbance did not materialize on 23 November as expected. Yohkoh x-ray

imagery shows that the equatorward boundary of the hole has retreated northward and hence should be less geoeffective than it has been on previous rotations. If this is the case, conditions may become only mildly degraded over the high and polar latitude paths on 24 November. There is a chance this disturbance may not materialize at all, which would result in generally near-normal propagation through at least 26 November inclusive.

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REGIONS WITH SUNSPOTS. LOCATIONS VALID AT 23/2400Z NOVEMBER

NMBR	LOCATION	LO	AREA	Z	LL	NN	MAG	TYPE
7618	N06W72	339	0340	DAI	06	012	BETA	
7620	N05E02	265	0120	DSO	10	021	BETA	
7622	N14E47	220	0080	DAO	07	008	BETA	
7621	S09E09	258					PLAGE	

REGIONS DUE TO RETURN 24 NOVEMBER TO 26 NOVEMBER

NMBR	LAT	LO
7613	S12	155

LISTING OF SOLAR ENERGETIC EVENTS FOR 23 NOVEMBER, 1993

BEGIN	MAX	END	RGN	LOC	XRAY	OP	245MHZ	10CM	SWEEP	SWF
NO EVENTS OBSERVED										

POSSIBLE CORONAL MASS EJECTION EVENTS FOR 23 NOVEMBER, 1993

BEGIN	MAX	END	LOCATION	TYPE	SIZE	DUR	II	IV
23/B1557		B1702	N11E55	DSF				

INFERRED CORONAL HOLES. LOCATIONS VALID AT 23/2400Z

ISOLATED HOLES AND POLAR EXTENSIONS

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	CAR	TYPE	POL	AREA	OBSN
NO DATA AVAILABLE FOR ANALYSIS								

SUMMARY OF FLARE EVENTS FOR THE PREVIOUS UTC DAY

Date	Begin	Max	End	Xray	Op	Region	Locn	2695 MHz	8800 MHz	15.4 GHz
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22 Nov: 0307 0312 0315 B3.9
         0417 0428 0445 B6.6
         0452 0456 0511      SF 7618 N09W47
         0607 0612 0624 B2.7
         0953 0958 1004 B2.9
         1025 1034 1037 C1.0
         1446 1452 1500 B2.5
         2321 2333 0004 B3.7

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REGION FLARE STATISTICS FOR THE PREVIOUS UTC DAY

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              C   M   X       S   1   2   3   4   Total   (%)
              -- -- --       -- -- -- -- --
Region 7618:  0   0   0       1   0   0   0   0     001  (12.5)
Uncorrelated: 1   0   0       0   0   0   0   0     007  (87.5)

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Total Events: 008 optical and x-ray.

EVENTS WITH SWEEPS AND/OR OPTICAL PHENOMENA FOR THE LAST UTC DAY

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Date   Begin   Max   End   Xray   Op Region   Locn   Sweeps/Optical Observations
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22 Nov: 0307   0312   0315   B3.9                        III

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NOTES:

All times are in Universal Time (UT). Characters preceding begin, max, and end times are defined as: B = Before, U = Uncertain, A = After. All times associated with x-ray flares (ex. flares which produce associated x-ray bursts) refer to the begin, max, and end times of the x-rays. Flares which are not associated with x-ray signatures use the optical observations to determine the begin, max, and end times.

Acronyms used to identify sweeps and optical phenomena include:

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II       = Type II Sweep Frequency Event
III      = Type III Sweep
IV       = Type IV Sweep
V        = Type V Sweep
Continuum = Continuum Radio Event
Loop     = Loop Prominence System,
Spray    = Limb Spray,
Surge    = Bright Limb Surge,
EPL      = Eruptive Prominence on the Limb.

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** End of Daily Report **

Date: 26 Nov 93 00:38:37 GMT
From: yeshua.marcam.com!wrdis02.robins.af.mil!lakeith@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Ed Hare has no tie!
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

eric.s.hellman (hellman@cbnewsm.cb.att.com) wrote:
: Yesterday I visited the ARRL in Newington and met Ed Hare in his
: office. He could not produce even one tie! (There was a rumpled
: sport jacket hanging behind the door).

Good for him! Let's see if we can get the rest of the ARRL staff and
the elected officials to follow his example..

Personally, I never wear a tie, on-the-air!!

Larry, KQ4BY

Date: 25 Nov 93 12:19:50 GMT
From: ogicse!cs.uoregon.edu!sgiblab!pacbell.com!amdahl!grafex!
news@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: HAM-server index update
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Executed: Thu Nov 25 07:19:48 1993

HAM-server updated index -----

The following has been changed:

Added SUPERIOR.SHR to /hamradio/morse
Moved /hamradio/packet/mlhacker to /hamradio/newsletters

If you do not know how to use HAM-server, send email to
HAM-server@GRAFex.sbay.org.
In the text, place HELP.

Orders must be sent to HAM-server. Orders sent to KA6ETB or HAMSinfo are
ignored. If you are reading this from usenet, do not respond to this post.
You must send email to HAM-server@GRAFex.sbay.org.

A new INDEX is automatically generated weekly and when files are moved or added.

The archives may contain the same file under different names. If you should run across one of these, please let me know with email to KA6ETB@GRAFex.sbay.org

NOTE: Contributions are gratefully accepted. Send to incoming@grafex.sbay.org
Send email with a short description (so I know where to put it) to KA6ETB@grafex.sbay.org

Date: Wed, 24 Nov 1993 04:32:56 GMT
From: boulder!cnsnews!spot.Colorado.EDU!millerpe@uunet.uu.net
Subject: How Long are Licenses taking?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Does anyone know how long liceses are taking to arrive on average?
I took my test at a VEC session a while back and I am hoping
I don't loose interest before the license arrives.

Who has a story on the quickest arrival of a license?

Peter Miller

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Date: 19 Nov 93 10:40:45 EST
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!math.ohio-state.edu!cis.ohio-state.edu!news.sei.cmu.edu!toads.pgh.pa.us!cup.edu!alv3192@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: PACKET RADIO & 800MHZ TRUNK SYS
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

RE: PACKET RADIO TNC INFORMATION.
ATTN: ALL HAMS INTO PACKET RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

I am employed by the Fayette County, PA Emergency Management Agency in charge of the computer equipment. My boss recently asked about the possibility of using packet radio over our radio channels. (Commercial Public-Safety channels).

Here is the problem. We will be upgrading Communication equipment to a Motorola Smartnet 800MHZ Trunked System. Does anyone have any information concerning the interface of a packet node controller to a trunked two way radio (Motorola Maxtrac 800). Due to the design of trunked systems, *INSTANT* transmit of a field unit thru the repeaters is not possible. Also if the trunked system gives you a busy channel status, the packet controller needs to know.

I appreciate any help that you can give.
Please E-Mail, Post in this group, FAX or write.

Tony Alviar, KA3VOR
System Administrator
Fayette County Emergency Management Agency
61 East Main St
Uniontown, PA 15401
FAX: 412-430-1281
VOICE: 412-430-1277

Date: Fri, 19 Nov 1993 19:43:42 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!agate!spool.mu.edu!olivea!sgigate.sgi.com!odin!
chuck.dallas.sgi.com!adams@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Phillips-Adams Code [long]
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

WOW. What a tough crowd. You want the long form, you got it.
Again, list from Phillips Code + Adams Mods to bring it somewhat up to date. Not every abbreviation you know or will ever use is here and there are some here you will never hear or use in your lifetime, but that is life. :-)

Enjoy dit dit

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Phillips-Adams Code

AA	all after	GN	gone	RD	read
AB	about	GN	good night	RDY	ready
ABB	abbreviate	GND	ground	REF	refer to

ABBD	abbreviated	GNI	good night	REF	reference
ABBG	abbreviating	GP	group	RF	radio frequency
ABBN	abbreviation	GS	guess	RFI	RF interference
ABD	aboard	GT	great	RFU	refuse
ABS	absent	GUD	good	RG	regular
ABT	about	GV	give	RHT	right
ABV	above	GVT	government	RIG	station equipme
ACG	according	H	has	RJ	reject
ADR	address	HAP	happy	RKO	record
ADS	address	HB	have been	RMB	remember
AF	after	HI	telegraphic lau	RPT	repeat
AFN	afternoon	HP	hope	RPY	reply
AGN	again	HPN	happen	RR	railroad
AK	acknowledge	HR	here	RT	are the
ALW	always	HV	have	RTTY	radio teletype
AMT	amount	HVR	however	RU	are you
ANT	antenna	HVU	have you	RX	receiver
AO	at once	HW	how	RY	railway
APC	appreciate	IFN	information	SAT	saturday
AR	answer	IM	immediately	SD	should
AS	standby, wait	IN	indication	SDY	sunday
AVB	available	IMY	immensely	SED	said
AX	ask	IMT	immediate	SH	such
AY	any	IP	improve	SIG	signature
AYB	anybody	ITD	intend	SIG	signal
AYG	anything	IW	it was	SJ	subject
AX	ask	J	by which	SKED	schedule
B	be	JF	justify	SKJ	schedule
BAK	back	JGM	judgement	SM	some
BC	because	JN	join	SMG	something
BCI	bdcst itrfrnc	JR	junior	SND	send
BCL	bdcst listener	JT	just	SNN	rst of 599
BCNU	be seeing you	K	out of the	SPO	suppose
BD	board	KD	kind	SPZ	surprise
BF	before	KGNS	congratulations	STD	standard
B4	before	KMN	communication	STN	station
BFL	beautiful	KP	keep	STO	store
BFT	breakfast	KPPG	cooperating	SUGN	suggestion
BH	both	KU	continue	SUY	saturday
BK	break	KW	know	SVC	service
BKN	broken	LAF	laugh	SVL	several
BLDG	building	LG	long	SYS	system
BN	been	LIC	license	T	the
BS	best	LID	very poor op	TBL	trouble
BTN	between	LK	like	TDY	today
BTR	better	LOV	love	TFC	traffic
BUN	bulletin	LTR	letter	TFK	traffic
BURO	QSL bureau	LUK	look	TG	thing

BV	believe	LV	leave	TGR	together
BZ	business	LVG	leaving	THD	thursday
C	see	M	more	TI	time
C	yes	MAB	maybe	TKS	thanks
CA	came	MB	maybe	TM	them
CD	could	MD	made	TMP	temperature
CDRY	considerably	MDA	monday	TMW	tomorrow
CDX	condition	MFG	manufacturing	TN	then
CF	chief	MGR	manager	TND	thousand
CFM	confirm	MH	much	TNI	tonight
CFUD	confused	MK	make	TNK	think
CHC	chance	MMY	memory	TNX	thanks
CHG	charge	MNG	morning	TR	there
CHN	children	MO	month	TS	this
CLD	called	MS	most	TSE	these
CLDY	cloudy	MSJ	message	TT	that
CLR	clear	MSK	mistake	TU	thank you
CK	check	MST	must	TUY	tuesday
CL	closing station	MSY	mostly	TV	television
CLD	called	MTG	meeting	TVI	TV interference
CLG	calling	MTR	matter	TW	tomorrow
CM	come	MVG	moving	TWM	tomorrow mornin
CNCD	concerned	MVM	movement	TWV	tmw even
CNDS	conditions	N	no, not	TX	this is
CTD	connected	NA	name	TX	transmitter
CPI	copy	NBR	neighbor	TXT	text
CPT	complete	ND	need	TY	they
CQ	calling any stn	NI	night	U	you
CQY	correctly	NIL	nothing	UCN	uncertain
CTD	connected	NM	no more	UF	unfortunate
CUD	could	NR	near	UFBY	unfavorably
CUL	see you later	NTG	nothing	UK	understand
CW	continuous wave	NUM	number	UKN	unknown
CW	morse code	NUMD	numbered	ULY	usually
CY	copy	NUP	newspaper	UN	until
D	in the	NV	never	UPN	upon
DA	day	NW	now	UR	your
DAU	daughter	NX	next	V	of which
DD	did	O	of	VB	valuable
DDNT	did not	OB	old boy	VCY	vicinity
DE	from	OC	old chap	VET	veteran
DEG	degree	OFN	often	VFO	var. freq osc.
DFC	difference	OFFS	office	VKN	vacation
DFT	different	OFY	officially	VOL	volume
DG	doing	OFC	officer	VS	visible
DLD	delivered	OG	organize	VSR	visitor
DNR	dinner	OJ	object	VST	visit
DOLS	dollars	OM	old man	VU	view

DR	dear	OP	opportunity	VY	very
DT	dont	OPR	operator	VYG	voyage
DX	distance	OT	old timer	W	with
DUP	duplicate	OTH	other	WA	word after
EA	each	OV	over	WB	will be
EH	either	OWG	owing	WB	word before
EJO	enjoy	OWZ	otherwise	WD	word
ENH	enough	P	per	WDS	words
EQM	equipment	PAP	paper	WDA	wednesday
ES	and	PB	probable	WD	would
ESPY	especially	PBL	preamble	WDF	wonderful
EU	Europe	PBM	problem	WEA	weather
EV	ever	PBY	probably	WF	wife
EXA	extra	PC	percent	WG	wrong
EXK	expect	PD	paid	WGT	weight
EXQ	excuse	PFD	preferred	WH	which
EYB	everybody	PFT	perfect	WI	will
EYG	everything	PKJ	package	WK	week
F	of the	PLS	please	WKD	worked
FB	fine business	PLSR	pleasure	WKG	working
FER	for	POX	police	WL	well
FM	from	PSE	please	WLD	world
FO	for	PSK	prospect	WN	when
FO	fast operator	PWR	power	WO	who
FQ	frequent	PX	press	WRD	word
FRI	friday	Q	on the	WT	what
FRV	forever	QA	qualify	WTV	whatever
FRW	forward	QAY	quality	WUD	would
FS	first	QK	quick	WX	weather
FU	few	QKY	quickly	X	in which
FW	follow	QRO	high power	XCVR	transceiver
G	from the	QRP	low power	XJ	explain
GA	good afternoon	QRS	transmit slower	XMTR	transmitter
GA	gave	QSN	question	XTL	crystal
GA	go ahead	QT	quite	XYL	wife
GB	good bye	QTH	location	Y	year
GBA	gv better adr	QTN	quotation	YA	yesterday
GD	good	QTY	quantity	YR	year
GE	good evening	R	are, received	YL	young lady
GG	going	R	roger	Z	from which
GL	good luck	RCD	received	73	best regards
GLS	girls	RCV	receive	88	love and kisses
GM	good morning	RCVR	receiver		

State Abbreviations

AL AK AZ AR CA CO CT DE FL GA HI ID IL IN IA KS KT LA ME MD MA MI MN NS MO

MT NB NV NH NJ NM NY NC ND OH OK OR PA RI SC SD TN TX UT VT VA WA WV WI WY

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QRP ARCI Awards Chairman

Date: Thu, 25 Nov 1993 20:15:34 GMT

From: netcomsv!netcom.com!wd6cmu@decwrl.dec.com

Subject: Some TH-78A power tips

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Some people have complained about the battery life on the TH-78A. I came up with these tips by checking out the power consumption under various configurations. In the case of power-saver mode, figuring out the average current with my DVM was impossible, so I ran the radio on a large capacitor and timed how long it took to die. These tips won't solve everything, but they might help.

- o The rig draws close to 2ma even with the power turned off, so don't leave the rig off with the battery installed for several days and expect full capacity to be maintained.
- o If you're only using one of the bands, shut down the other to extend your battery's life -- current consumption with the squelch closed is cut by almost a third.
- o If you're monitoring two frequencies on the same band, use the f2 button to receive both simultaneously rather than scanning between them -- the battery saver with two receivers will use about half the current of one receiver that is scanning.
- o You can make up a battery pack by putting nickel metal hydride AA cells in a BT-8 battery holder. A small strip of aluminum from the positive battery terminal to the depression in the top of the case will allow you to recharge the pack inside the rig. This will give you 1000mah capacity without enlarging the size of the radio, and NiMH cells have no memory effect. (But they *are* expensive.)

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Eric Williams | DGC Vincent: MC (B+S)t G+Y 1.2 Y L++ C+ T+ I+++ H+ S++ V+ F++

wd6cmu@netcom.com | Murphy: DS W+(B+R)t+R Y 1.3 Y L C+ T- I+++ H+ A+ F+ B--

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Date: 19 Nov 93 18:33:06 GMT
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References <TROCH.93Nov10111625@gandalf.Rutgers.EDU>,
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Reply-To : henniger@Metaphor.COM (Mickey Henniger)
Subject : Re: RS Preferred Customer (Re: Fun with Radio Shack)

In article <wier-131193221527@csci-wiermac.etsu.edu>, wier@merlin.etsu.edu (Bob Wier) writes:

|> In article <2brb59\$m7m@msuinfo.cl.msu.edu>, cravitma@pacific.uucp (Matthew
|> B Cravit) wrote:
|> > According to the manager of my local R.S. store, Radio Shack generated
|> > a list of all of their customers sorted by amount spent at R.S. in the
|> > previous year (dollars, not hours ;-). The top 10 million? people on
|> > this list received preferred customer cards.

I spent alot, but they sent one to my wife who doesn't spend hardly anything.
I assumed that it is a way to bring in those that wouldn't normally go there.
(The rest of us go without being prodded.)

Mick

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Date: Fri, 19 Nov 1993 07:45:20 -0500
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news.ans.net!malgudi.oar.net!news.ysu.edu!psuvm!cunyvm!rohvm1!
rohvm1.mah48d@network.ucsd.edu
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References <1993Nov17.034311.24091@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>,
<1993Nov18.034401.1913@mulvey.com>, <19.edu
Subject : Re: Miss Manners in the Novice Sub-bands?

In article <1993Nov18.143557.3937@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>, gary@ke4zv.atl.ga.us

(Gary Coffman) wrote, in part:

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> . If *neither*
> party were Novice/Tech+ then I think it's rude for them to occupy
> the tiny band segment allocated to N/T when they have plenty of
> alternative space available. However, if *either* of the parties
> were N/T, then they were obviously in the right place since the
> N/T *couldn't* operate anywhere else.

With the current callsign structure it can be difficult to know when you're calling a novice/tech+. I've got a 1 x 3 callsign, just like a tech+, but have had an Extra ticket for 25 years. As a result, when I operate in the novice bands, I tend to answer CQ's from people sending 10 wpm or less, just to avoid the problem of two higher-class licensees cluttering the limited space available to the novice/techs. Problem is, this discriminates against those novice/techs looking for a higher speed QSO. Dare I run the risk of being rude, Gary, and answer an N-XXX call sending CQ at 20 wpm? :-). Seriously, we all ought to drop by the novice bands to chat (with _them_, of course), and not isolate them.

73 de John W3ZID
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Date: Thu, 25 Nov 1993 20:27:21 GMT
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References <LEVIN.93Nov24114340@powell.bbn.com>,
<1993Nov25.133351.10311@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>, <2d2jq0\$ddh@reznor.larc.nasa.gov>
Subject : Re: CONELRAD-what was it?

We have a unique situation here on Oahu: All AM and FM stations are linked to the county CD EOC (basement floor of the municipal building). During any county or statewide emergency, broadcasts made from the EOC are heard on ALL stations - as you tune across the dial you hear only our EOC announcer. During our monthly outdoor warning siren test (first working day of the month at 1145 all 150 sirens island-wide are activated; state-wide too but I don't know the total number of sirens in the entire state - guessing at 400) (oh, we have a WWV receiver so we make sure the sirens start at exactly 11:45:00 - they're tone-activated on around 156 MHz) our EOC describes to the listening audience on all the bcst stations that we're conducting the monthly test of our communications and siren equipment. THEN we get a flood of phone calls:
``The siren in our neighborhood didn't work''
``Hey, why did you guys sound the sirens?''

``Why did you interrupt my favorite song?''

``I heard you on every station - how'd you do that''

``Can't you turn the volume of the sirens down?'' (120 dB)

Most of our sirens are the Thunderbolt air-compressor rotating model made by Federal Signal Corporation, but we've got a few of the newer all-electronic sirens (rotating) (they sound 'funny'); they're also made by Federal.

So, we really don't have a primary/secondary station concept here. I guess you could say that every station is primary. A couple stations received money from the feds for new generators since we are prone to island-wide blackouts sometimes lasting more than 24 hours. Out of the 2 dozens or so stations at least two have the capability of staying on the air more than 48 hours.

Oh, we get a real emergency at least once each year; usually either a hurricane or tsunami (tidal wave) warning.

Jeff NH6IL

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